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MENTAL
MAN!"**



SUPERMAN

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"GASP! Y-YOU'RE REAL! YOU'VE COME TO LIFE, **MENTAL MAN!** AND HERE I THOUGHT YOU WERE JUST AN IMAGINARY COMIC STRIP HERO I MADE UP! ... **WHAT DO YOU W-WANT OF ME??!**"

I WANT TO MARRY YOU!

MENTAL MAN

HA, HA! WE'LL LOCK THIS STOLEN LOOT IN OUR HIDEOUT'S SAFE!

URK! IT'S M-MENTAL MAN!

AWK! HE'S MAKIN' THE SAFE RISE UP INTO THE AIR! JUST CONCENTRATING!

by LOIS LANE

"GROAN! THE SAFE IS FLYIN' ACROSS THE STREET TO IMAGAN! POLICE HEADQUARTERS!"

WE SURRENDER, MENTAL MAN!

NATURALLY, LOIS LANE IS IN LOVE WITH SUPERMAN! HE'S HANDSOME AND HAS AN ASTOUNDING ARRAY OF FABULOUS SUPER-POWERS! HOWEVER, ONE FATEFUL DAY, LOIS'S FERTILE IMAGINATION CREATES A FICTIONAL COMIC STRIP CHARACTER, **MENTAL MAN**, WHO IS EVEN MORE ASTOUNDING THAN **SUPERMAN**. THEN SUDDENLY, INCREDIBLY, **MENTAL MAN** POPS OFF THE COMIC PAGES INTO REAL LIFE... AND LOIS' NO-LONGER IMAGINARY, AMAZING CREATION WANTS TO MARRY HER AT ONCE! IT'S THE MOST ASTONISHING **SUPERMAN** TALE OF THE YEAR, THIS SURPRISING STORY OF...

SUPERMAN'S RIVAL, MENTAL MAN!

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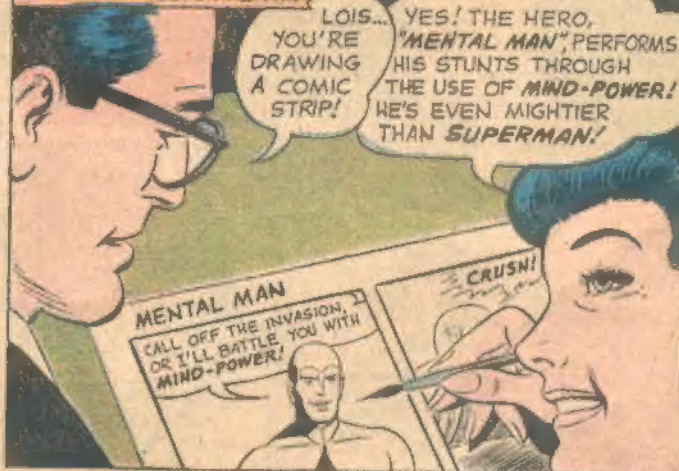
ONE DAY, AT THE DAILY PLANET, IN METROPOLIS, AS LOIS LANE ENTERS EDITOR PERRY WHITE'S OFFICE...



I'VE HAD A TERRIFIC IDEA COOKING IN MY NOODLE FOR SOME TIME! A NEW COMIC STRIP THAT WOULD BE A SENSATION....!



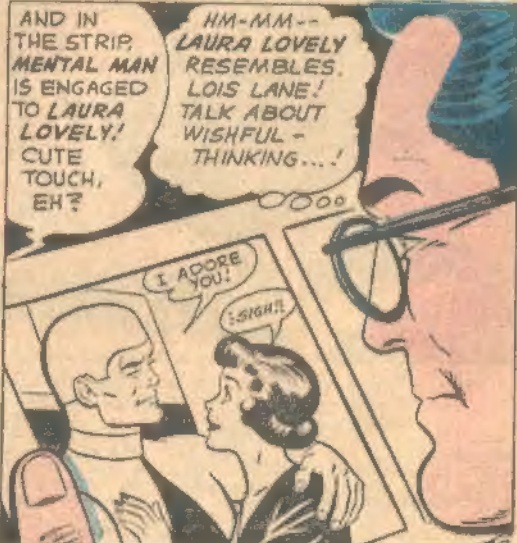
AS LOIS GETS BUSY, CLARK (SUPERMAN) KENT RETURNS FROM AN ASSIGNMENT...



MENTAL MAN CAN MAKE THINGS RISE UP INTO THE AIR BY MERELY WILLING IT! HE RADIATES ENERGY! HE...



AND IN THE STRIP, MENTAL MAN IS ENGAGED TO LAURA LOVELY! CUTE TOUCH, EH?



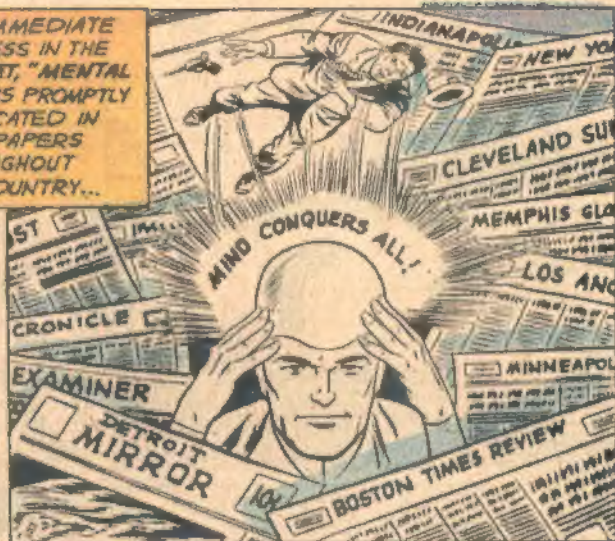
HM-MM-- LAURA LOVELY RESEMBLES LOIS LANE! TALK ABOUT WISHFUL - THINKING....!

SOON, IN PERRY'S OFFICE...

YOUR STRIP IS...
GREAT, LOIS! WE'LL
START RUNNING IT
IMMEDIATELY!

SWELL!

AN IMMEDIATE
SUCCESS IN THE
PLANET, "MENTAL
MAN" IS PROMPTLY
SYNDICATED IN
NEWSPAPERS
THROUGHOUT
THE COUNTRY...



THEN ONE AFTERNOON, AT THE PLANET NEWSROOM,
AS LOIS SHOWS PERRY HER LATEST CONTINUITY...

EXCELLENT, LOIS! YOU'VE
TOPPED YOUR LAST SEQUENCE!

HA, HA, WE'LL
LOCK THIS STOLEN
LOOT IN OUR HIDEOUT'S
SAFE!

IT'S
M-MENTAL
MAN!

AWK! HE'S MAKIN'
THE SAFE RISE UP
INTO THE AIR BY JUST
CONCENTRATING!

GROAN! THE SAFE
FLYIN' ACROSS THE
STREET TO... MOAN!
POLICE HEADQUARTERS!

WE SURRENDER
MENTAL MAN!

SUDDENLY...

MENTAL
MAN GREETES
YOU!

GASP! IT'S
MENTAL
MAN! HE'S...
MATERIALIZED!

IMPOSSIBLE!
MENTAL MAN
IS JUST AN
IMAGINARY
CHARACTER
IN A COMIC
STRIP!

"I AM NO LONGER IMAGINARY! I'VE
COME TO LIFE! THE CONCENTRATION OF
MILLIONS OF MY FANS THROUGHOUT
THE COUNTRY HAS MATERIALIZED ME
INTO ACTUALITY!"

GOLLY, I WISH
HE EXISTED!

IF ONLY MENTAL
MAN WERE REAL!

COME TO LIFE,
MENTAL MAN!

PUFF-FF!

PUFF-FF!

I CAME TO YOU, LOIS LANE, DESIRING TO MEET MY CREATOR! BUT NOW CURIOSITY HAS TURNED TO... **LOVE!**

NO! I CARE FOR **SUPERMAN!** HE, TOO, HAS FANTASTIC POWERS! HE HASN'T PROPOSED TO ME YET, BUT...



FORGET HIM! WHAT-
EVER **SUPERMAN'S** SUPER-POWERS ARE, MY **MENTAL POWERS** WORK GREATER WONDERS THAN HE CAN! AND I WANT TO MARRY YOU! NOW! IMMEDIATELY!



AT THAT MOMENT, **SUPERMAN** ARRIVES TO KEEP AN INTERVIEW APPOINTMENT...

GREAT SCOTT! IT'S **MENTAL MAN** OF THE COMICS... ALIVE! BUT YOU CAN'T BE REAL!!

THINK SO?--
SAFE...
RISE!

HE CONCENTRATED AND...IT LEVITATED UP!!



...J- JUST LIKE IN M-MY STRIP!

ATOP THAT ELECTRIC COMPANY BUILDING IS A HUGE BULB THEY LIGHT AT NIGHT AS AN ADVERTISING STUNT! WATCH WHAT HAPPENS AS I, **MENTAL MAN**, RADIATE ENERGY!



TH-THE BULB LIT UP! YOU DID IT! YOU ARE THE COMIC STRIP HERO, **MENTAL MAN**, COME TO LIFE!

YES! AGAIN I IMPORE YOU, LOIS LANE! FORGET **SUPERMAN** AND MARRY ME!



HM-MM. FOR YEARS **SUPERMAN** HAS AVOIDED PROPOSING TO ME. PERHAPS, IF I PRETEND INTEREST IN **MENTAL MAN**, IT MAY MAKE **SUPERMAN** JEALOUS!

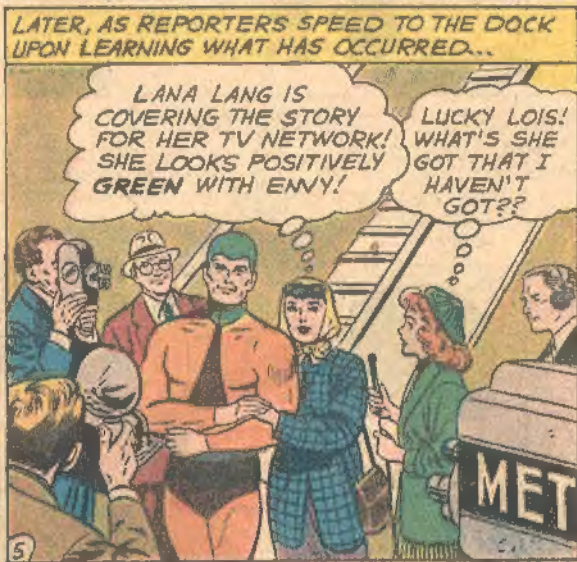
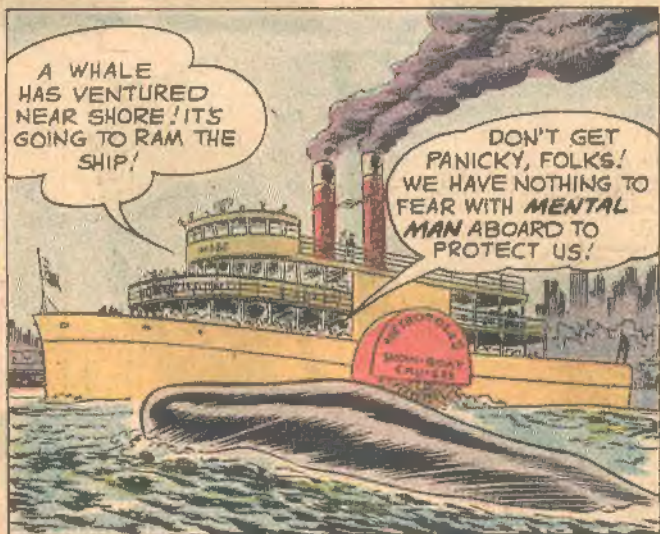
BUT OF COURSE, MY PRECIOUS...

GIVE ME TIME, **MENTAL MAN**, AND PERHAPS...





THE AMAZING STORY IS HEADLINED, AND NEXT DAY, AS MENTAL MAN TAKES LOIS ON A PLEASURE-BOAT RIDE...



THAT EVENING, AT LOIS' APARTMENT, WHERE HER SISTER LUCY IS STAYING OVERNIGHT WHILE IN TOWN...

GOSH, LOIS, YOU HAVE **SUPERMAN** AND **MENTAL MAN** FOR BOY FRIENDS! ALL I HAVE IS JIMMY OLSEN...

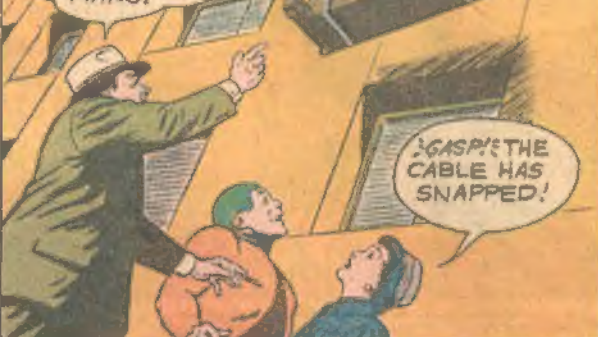
JIMMY IS A SWEET BOY!



NEXT DAY, AS **MENTAL MAN** IS TAKING LOIS TO LUNCH...

LOOK OUT!... A FALLING PIANO!

GASP! THE CABLE HAS SNAPPED!



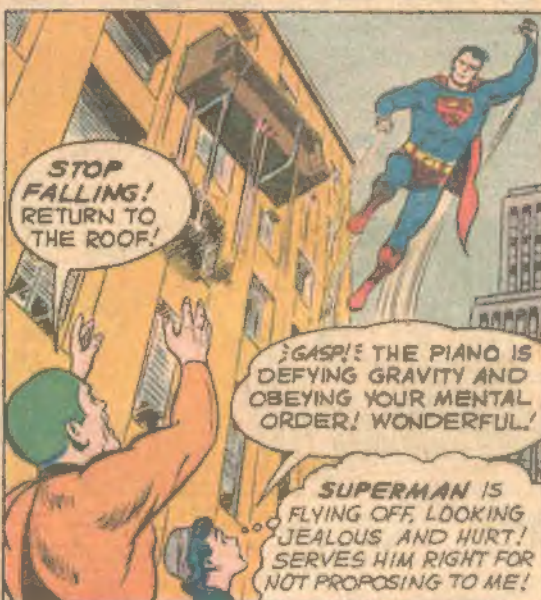
GOOD THING I'VE BEEN TRAILING YOU, LOIS! I'LL CATCH IT!



STOP FALLING! RETURN TO THE ROOF!

GASP! THE PIANO IS DEFEYING GRAVITY AND OBEYING YOUR MENTAL ORDER! WONDERFUL!

SUPERMAN IS FLYING OFF, LOOKING JEALOUS AND HURT! SERVES HIM RIGHT FOR NOT PROPOSING TO ME!



LOIS, PLEASE DON'T DELAY ANY MORE! SAY YOU'LL MARRY ME, SO I CAN ALWAYS LOVE AND PROTECT YOU!

I - I STILL NEED TIME TO THINK IT OVER...

HMM...HE'S HANDSOME AND IMPETUOUS... BUT I STILL LOVE **SUPERMAN**!



YOU'RE STILL IN LOVE WITH **SUPERMAN**, AREN'T YOU? FORGET THAT MUSCLE-BOUND OAF, AND MARRY ME!

IT ISN'T EASY TO FORGET SOMEONE YOU'VE CARED FOR SO LONG. PERHAPS...WITH TIME...





UH--LEMME
TALK TO YOU
ALONE A MINUTE,
MENTAL MAN!
IT'S IMPORTANT!

I'LL BE
RIGHT BACK,
LOIS!



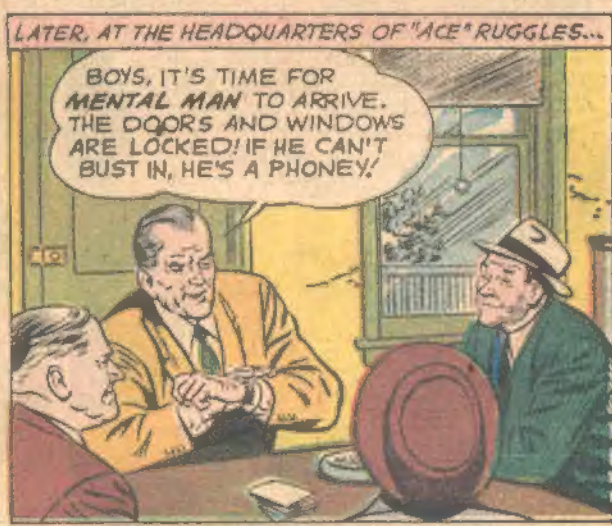
I DON'T LIKE
THAT FELLOW'S
LOOKS! WHAT
DID HE WANT?

HE SAID A FRIEND OF
HIS, "ACE" RUGGLES,
WANTS TO SEE ME
ABOUT A PROPOSITION...



'ACE' RUGGLES? WHY,
THAT'S A RACKETEER.
SUPERMAN HAS BEEN
TRYING TO GET THE
GOODS ON FOR YEARS!
DON'T GET INVOLVED
WITH HIM!

DON'T
WORRY,
LOIS, I CAN
EASILY
HANDLE
ANYONE...



LATER, AT THE HEADQUARTERS OF "ACE" RUGGLES...

BOYS, IT'S TIME FOR
MENTAL MAN TO ARRIVE.
THE DOORS AND WINDOWS
ARE LOCKED! IF HE CAN'T
BUST IN, HE'S A PHONEY!



A PHONEY,
I AM **NOT!**
DEFINITELY!

YIPES! HE
POPPED UP
THROUGH THE
FLOOR, LIKE A
HUMAN MOLE!
WOTTA GUY!!

GREAT!



WHAT'S
THIS
PROPOSITION
YOU'VE GOT
FOR ME,
ACE?

WE WANT YOU TO
USE YOUR MENTAL
TRICKS TO STEAL A
BANK'S ARMORED
TRUCK WE'VE BEEN
WATCHING FOR DAYS!
WE'LL BE PARTNERS
AND SPLIT THE TAKE!
OKAY, BRAIN-BOY?

I DON'T KNOW.
IF I WANTED TO
BECOME A BIG
SHOT CROOK,
I WOULDN'T
NEED YOU!

UH-HUH! BUT--WE HAPPEN
TO KNOW YOU'RE MIGHTY
ANXIOUS TO MARRY LOIS LANE
AND SHE WON'T SAY "YES"
BECAUSE SHE'S STILL
CRAZY ABOUT **SUPERMAN**...

PULL THE ARMORED CAR JOB FOR US,
AND WE'LL TELL YOU A SURE-FIRE WAY
TO GET LOIS TO MARRY YOU!

IT'S A DEAL!
--GIVE ME
THE DETAILS...

AND AS "ACE" OBLIGES...

SUPERMAN CAN BE KILLED BY
KRYPTONITE! YOU DIDN'T KNOW THAT!
WELL, IF YOU SECRETLY KNOCK OFF
SUPERMAN, LOIS WILL FORGET HIM
AND MARRY YOU! RIGHT?

RIGHT!!

THUS, SEVERAL HOURS LATER, AS **SUPERMAN**
ALIGHTS ON THE ROOF OF THE DAILY PLANET,
NEXT TO THE GIANT GLOBE OF THE WORLD...

OH, IT'S YOU, **MENTAL MAN**!
GLAD TO SEE YOU!

YOU WON'T BE GLAD
LONG!... GLOBE, CHANGE
TO **KRYPTONITE**!

INSTANTLY...

IT--T--TURNED
INTO **KRYPTONITE**!
OW-WW! IT'S
K-KILLING
ME...!

THAT'S
THE IDEA,
CHUM!

AND FROM THE ROOF OF A NEARBY BUILDING...

HOW'S OUR
PAL **MENTAL**
MAN DOIN',
"ACE"?

TERRIFIC! HE'S KILLING
SUPERMAN WITH **KRYPTONITE**
POISONING! NOW HE'S FLYING
DOWNWARD WITH **SUPERMAN'S**
BODY, HA, HA!

DOWN HURTTLES MENTAL MAN, ALIGHTING WITH THE MAN OF STEEL'S INERT FORM ON A BARGE...

I'LL BORROW YOUR BARGE, IF YOU DON'T MIND! SUPER-MAN'S DYING!

METROPOLIS
MARINE
TRANSPORT, INC.

YOU HAVE MY PERMISSION!

I'VE GOT TO RUSH HIM TO METROPOLIS HOSPITAL, AT ONCE!

TOWARD THE HOSPITAL SWIFTLY SWIMS MENTAL MAN WITH HIS DYING CARGO...

WOW! IT'S LOIS LANE'S FAMOUS REAL-LIFE COMIC STRIP CHARACTER... SWIMMING AS FAST AS A FISH!

SOON, AT THE HOSPITAL...

I FOUND SUPERMAN... LIKE THIS... DYING! THERE MUST BE **SOME** WAY I CAN HELP... PERHAPS BY WILLING HIM BACK TO HEALTH...!

TOO LATE, MENTAL MAN! SUPERMAN'S HEART HAS... STOPPED BEATING!

CHOKE!!-- HOW... TERRIBLE! I-I'LL GO BREAK THE NEWS TO LOIS LANE...

YOU DID YOUR BEST, MENTAL MAN!

WHEN WE CAME TO INTERVIEW THAT ILL SENATOR, WE NEVER EXPECTED TO COME ACROSS THIS BIG STORY!

PRESENTLY, AT THE PLANET...

SUPERMAN...
DEAD? OH, NO!
IT ISN'T TRUE! I
WON'T BELIEVE
IT!

I KNOW
WHAT
THIS GREAT
LOSS MEANS
TO YOU,
LOIS! I HOPE
YOU'LL LET ME
FILL THE
GAP IN
YOUR HEART.

ACROSS THE
STREET...

AND NOW MENTAL MAN IS
"CONSOLING" LOIS! MY
SCHEME IS WORKING! NOW IT'S
UP TO HIM TO MAKE GOOD HIS PROMISE TO
HELP US BY KNOCKING OFF THAT
ARMORED BANK TRUCK!

LISTEN--
NEWS ABOUT
THE DEATH OF SUPER-
MAN IS ON ALL THE
STATIONS

LATER, AFTER AN ARMORED BANK TRUCK'S
GUARDS ENTER A DINER FOR LUNCH...

OKAY, FELLAS.
YOU WANTED ME
TO HELP YOU ROB
THIS TRUCK? I'LL
PICK IT UP AND
SMASH IT
FOR YOU!

SEE HOW I EASILY
CRUSH THIS ARMORED
BANK-TRUCK LIKE AN
EGG-SHELL? HELP
YOURSELVES TO THE
LOOT!

HA HA
THANKS
PAL!

BUT THEN...

DROP
THOSE
GUNS!

YOU'VE CAUGHT THEM
RED HANDED, OFFICERS!
TAKE 'EM AWAY! THEY'RE
ALL YOURS!

MENTAL MAN,
YOU'RE A DOUBLE
CROSSING RAT.

THAT
PHONED
TIP WE JUST
RECEIVED
WAS
GENUINE,
JIMMY!

BEFORE YOU
KISS THAT SKUNK,
MISS LANE, LISTEN
TO THIS!...MENTAL
MAN KILLED
SUPERMAN!

WHAT?

THAT
ISN'T
TRUE,
LOIS!

SUPERMAN..
ALIVE
WE'VE BEEN
HOAXED
GROAN!

"GASP" SINCE I'VE SEEN
SUPERMAN AND MENTAL MAN
TOGETHER AT THE SAME TIME
SEVERAL TIMES THEN MENTAL
MAN MUST BE EITHER A ROBOT,
AN ANDROID OR EVEN BATMAN
IN DISGUISE!

HE ISN'T
ANY ONE OF
THOSE, LOIS.

CAN YOU GUESS
MENTAL MAN'S
REAL IDENTITY?



"KNOWING THE PLANET ELEVATOR-OPERATOR
WAS 'ACE'S' SPY, I FAKED MENTAL MAN
COMING ALIVE OFF THE COMIC PAGE! I
WANTED ACE TO JOIN FORCES WITH MENTAL
MAN SO ACE WOULD FINALLY GET CAUGHT
PULLING A BIG CRIME!"

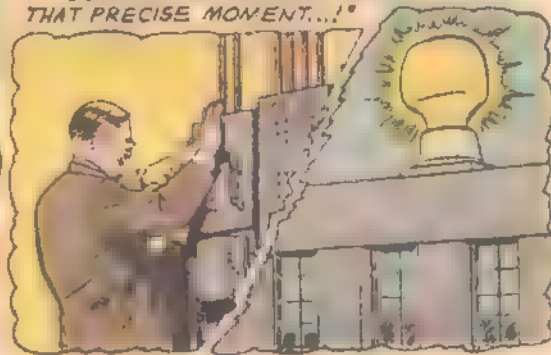


'MENTAL MAN'
MATERIAL LED
IN THE PLANET
OFFICE UNDER
COVER OF HIS
SMASHED GAS-
PETE SMOKE
SCREEN. -- AN
ELECTRONIC
DEVICE IN HIS
COSTUME CAUSED
THE RADIATION-EFFECT.
-- THAT SAFE SEEMED
'LEVITATED' BECAUSE
MY DOG, KRYPTO
WAS HIDDEN INSIDE...

HA, HA! I'M MAKING
THE SAFE FLY UPWARD
BY SUPPORTING IT WITH
MY OWN BODY!

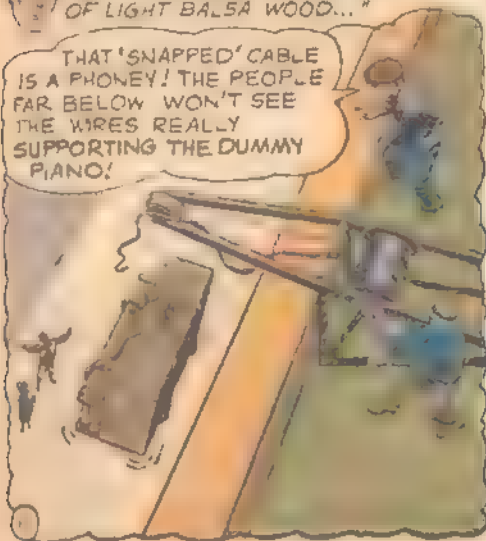


"THAT GIANT ELECTRIC BULB ON THE
ILLUMINATING COMPANY BUILDING LIT
UP BECAUSE I HAD ARRANGED FOR THE
COMPANY'S PRESIDENT TO TURN IT ON AT
THAT PRECISE MOMENT...!"



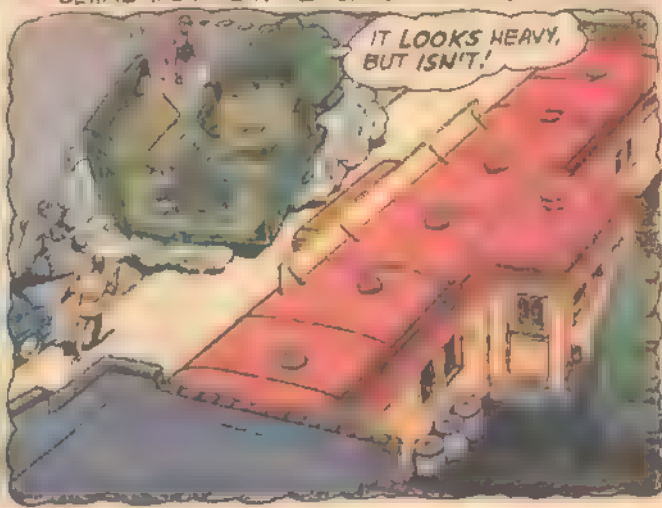
"THAT FALLING PIANO, HELD UP BY
THIN 'INVISIBLE' WIRES, WAS MADE
OF LIGHT BALSA WOOD..."

THAT 'SNAPPED' CABLE
IS A PHONEY! THE PEOPLE
FAR BELOW WON'T SEE
THE WIRES REALLY
SUPPORTING THE DUMMY
PIANO!



"LIKEWISE, THE 'ARMORED BANK CAR' SMASHED
BY MENTAL MAN WAS ALSO MADE OF BALSA WOOD.
THE REAL ARMORED CAR WAS PARKED OUT OF VIEW
BEHIND THE DINER. THE POLICE WERE IN ON THE HOAX."

IT LOOKS HEAVY,
BUT ISN'T!



"MENTAL MAN EASILY CRASHED UP THROUGH THE FLOOR OF ACE'S HIDEOUT THROUGH A TUNNEL I HAD DUG BECAUSE I HAD PREVIOUSLY BROKEN AND LIGHTLY GLED TOGETHER THE FLOORBOARDS IN A CORNER OF THE ROOM..."

THE FOOLS--IF THEY ONLY KNEW WHO I REALLY AM.

"I TRICKED ACE INTO THINKING I WAS KILLED BY KRYPTONITE, BY PREVIOUSLY SUBSTITUTING THE GLOBE ATOP THE PLANET BUILDING WITH A FAKE ONE COVERED BY A THIN LAYER OF PAINT."

"SO THAT LATER..."

MY X-RAY VISION HAS MELTED THE OUTER PAINT COATING OFF THE GLOBE, REVEALING THE HARMLESS GREEN LUMINOUS PAINT BENEATH! NOW TO SUPER-SWIFTLY SPRINKLE GREEN POWDER ON MY FACE AND HANDS SO I SEEM TO TURN GREEN FROM KRYPTONITE POISONING..."

AT THE HOSPITAL I PRETENDED TO DIE BY TEMPORARILY HALTING THE BEATING OF MY HEART. --"MENTAL MAN" HIMSELF MADE THAT WHALE OBEY HIS COMMAND!

HOW DID YOU DO IT, MENTAL MAN? WHO IN THE WORLD ARE YOU??

IN REPLY "MENTAL MAN" REMOVES HIS DISGUISE A REALISTIC PLASTIC MASK

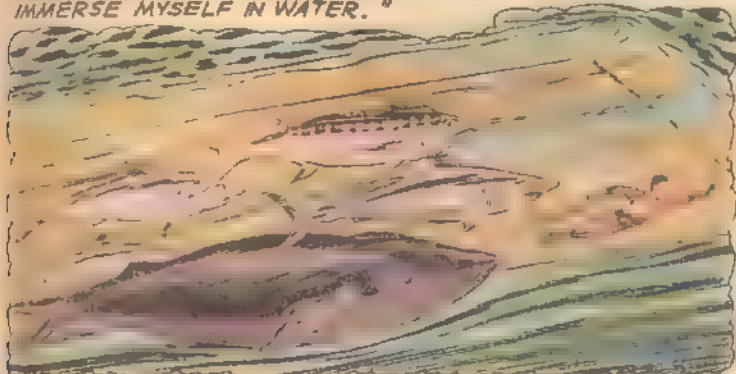
GASP! IT'S AQUAMAN, KING OF THE SEVEN SEAS!...NO WONDER YOU WERE ABLE TO MAKE THAT WHALE TURN ASIDE! YOUR SEA-FRIENDS ALWAYS VOLUNTARILY OBEY YOUR TELEPATHIC INSTRUCTIONS

"CORRECT, LOIS! AND WHEN I APPEARED TO BE FLYING THE 'UNCONSCIOUS' SUPERMAN THROUGH THE AIR, IT WAS ALSO NOT WHAT IT SEEMED..."

THOUGH I SEEMED TO BE FLYING YOU, YOU'RE ACTUALLY FLYING ME!

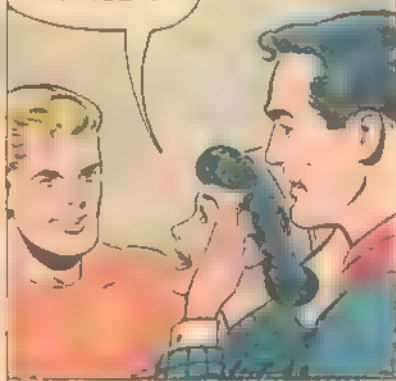
HAM IT UP GOOD, AQUAMAN!

"AND AS I SWAM THE 'DYING' SUPERMAN TOWARD THE HOSPITAL, AQUALAD AND MY SEA-FRIENDS, HIDDEN FROM VIEW BENEATH THE BARGE, HELPED ME PROPEL IT FORWARD! THE WATER WAS REFRESHING. AS AQUAMAN, I CAN'T STAY OUT OF WATER OVER AN HOUR AT A TIME--WHILE DISGUISED, I OFTEN HAD TO SLIP AWAY AND IMMERSE MYSELF IN WATER."



GOSH, I WAS FOOLED COMPLETELY! BUT I DON'T MIND SINCE IT WAS ALL FOR A GOOD PURPOSE...

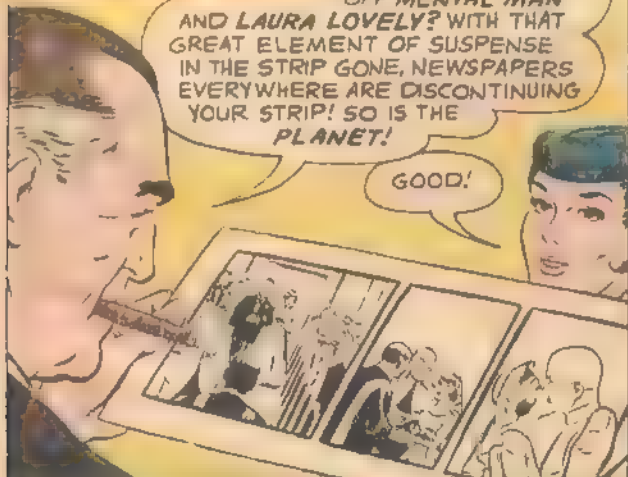
YOU'RE A GOOD SPORT, LOIS!!!



A FEW DAYS LATER...

WHY DID YOU MARRY OFF MENTAL MAN AND LAURA LOVELY? WITH THAT GREAT ELEMENT OF SUSPENSE IN THE STRIP GONE, NEWSPAPERS EVERYWHERE ARE DISCONTINUING YOUR STRIP! SO IS THE PLANET!

GOOD!



I DID IT SO I CAN BECOME A REPORTER AGAIN, AND TRACK DOWN EXCITING NEWS SCOOPS!

THAT WAY I'LL HAVE A BETTER CHANCE OF CAPTURING THE HEART OF SUPERMAN, JUST AS LAURA LOVELY WON MENTAL MAN!



COMING SUPER-ATTRACTIONS!

JAN. **Adventure** COMICS NOW ON SALE

Scoop!

SUPERBOY Meets LORI the MERMAID

WHEN SHE WAS A TEEN-AGER!

Extra! "AQUAMAN in the LOST OCEAN!" and "THE SEVEN FACES of CONGORILLA!"

DC

JAN. **Superboy** COMICS NOW ON SALE

SUPERBOY FACES HIS GREATEST CHALLENGE WHEN HE IS TRAPPED BY...

"The ARMY OF LOVING KRYPTONITE MEN!"

PLEASE DON'T TELL THE ENDING TO YOUR FRIENDS!

DC

JAN. **JIMMY OLSEN** COMICS NOW ON SALE

This issue features a sensational **SWITCH!**

JIMMY OLSEN BECOMES AS POWERFUL as SUPERMAN and SUPERMAN BECOMES AS POWERLESS as JIMMY!

You'll feel SORRY FOR THE MAN OF STEEL WHEN YOU READ...

"The LIFE of SUPER-JIMMY OLSEN!"

DC

Watch for the **SECOND** **SUPERMAN** **ANNUAL!**

FEATURING THE *GREATEST FOES*
EVER TO CHALLENGE THE *MAN OF STEEL!*



**GIANT
SUPERMAN
FIRST
BATTLE WITH
TITANO**

**GIANT
SUPERMAN
BATTLE
WITH
BRAINAC**

**GIANT
SUPERMAN
BATTLE
WITH
THE THING**

**GIANT
SUPERMAN
BATTLE
WITH
BIZARRO**

**GIANT
SUPERMAN
BATTLE
WITH
METALLO**

**GIANT
SUPERMAN
BATTLE
WITH
MONITOR**

ON SALE EVERYWHERE ...



SUPERCIRL

THAT TIGERRABBIT
BROKE OUT OF ITS CAGE.
THIS IS A JOB FOR
MARVEL MAID!

G-GOODNESS!
THIS DISTANT WORLD'S
SUPERCIRL IS MY EXACT
COUPLE. SHE MIGHT EVEN
HAVE A 'LINDA LEE' SECRET
IDENTITY EXACTLY LIKE ME!



THE PYRAMIDS ARE IN JAPAN. MOUNT EVEREST IS
IN FLORIDA. THE PANAMA CANAL CONNECTS THE
INDIAN OCEAN TO THE ARCTIC OCEAN! THESE
STATEMENTS MAY BE WRONG ON EARTH...
BUT NOT ON TERRA, WHERE, OUTSIDE OF A
FEW DIFFERENCES, MOST THINGS ARE AN
EXACT DUPLICATE OF OUR WORLD! AND
WHEN AN IMPORTANT MISSION SENDS SUPERCIRL
TO THAT 'TWIN' OF EARTH, WE ENCOUNTER
THE AMAZING PHENOMENON OF

The SECOND SUPERCIRL!

AT MIDVALE ORPHANAGE ONE DAY, THE OLDER GIRLS ARE ASSIGNED TO HELP OUT IN THE KITCHEN...

OH, DEAR! I PUT THAT ROAST IN THE OVEN TOO LATE! THE HUNGRY CHILDREN WILL HAVE TO WAIT IF IT ISN'T DONE, LINDA.

NO, THEY WON'T!



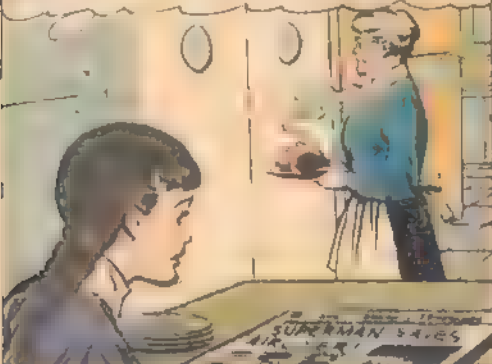
LINDA LEE WHO IS SECRETLY **SUPERGIRL**, USES ONE OF HER AMAZING **SUPER-POWERS!**

THE HEAT OF MY X-RAY VISION WILL FINISH ROASTING THE MEAT IN A SECOND!

WHY, IT IS SOFT AND TENDER AFTER ALL! WE CAN SERVE IT RIGHT AWAY! IT'S LIKE A-A MIRACLE!



BUT MY LITTLE DEEDS ARE NOTHING COMPARED TO THE SUPER-FEATS COUSIN **SUPERMAN** DOES! HE WON'T REVEAL ME TO THE WORLD UNLESS I PROVE I'M GOOD ENOUGH FOR REGULAR PATROL DUTY! WHEN WILL THAT GREAT DAY COME...? SIGH!!



THE NEXT DAY, IN GENERAL SCIENCE CLASS...

OUT OF EARTH'S MILLIONS OF PEOPLE, EVERYBODY HAS A DOUBLE SOMEWHERE, THEY SAY! SIMILARLY, OUT OF BILLIONS OF DIFFERENT SNOWFLAKES, TWO CAN BE ALIKE BY SHEER CHANCE!

HMM... THAT GIVES ME AN IDEA!



AFTER CLASS, LINDA STROLLS INTO THE NEARBY WOODS TO MAKE A SECRET CHANGE.

MY LINDA-ROBOT IS HIDDEN IN THAT HOLLOW TREE! IT'LL REPLACE ME AT THE ORPHANAGE WHILE I VISIT **SUPERMAN'S** FORTRESS OF SOLITUDE! HIS SUPER-UNIVAC CAN HELP MY GREATEST WISH COME TRUE!



AFTER A SWIFT FLIGHT NORTH TO THE ARCTIC

I TIMED MY TRIP TO MEET **SUPERMAN** DURING HIS DAILY VISIT HERE! HE GOT THE GIANT KEY, WHICH IS DISGUISED AS AN AIRPLANE MARKER, FROM THE MOUNTAIN TOP, AND IS OPENING THE FORT NOW

HI, COUSIN **SUPERGIRL**! WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?



I WANT TO FIND OUT IF THERE'S A "DOUBLE" OF EARTH SOMEWHERE IN THE INVERSE, SUPERMAN!

THEN PICK THE RIGHT PHOTOS FROM MY COLLECTION SUPPLY DATA FOR MY SUPER-UNIVAC COMPUTER.

I'LL CHOOSE ALL THE MAIN FACTORS ABOUT EARTH PLUS PHOTOS OF YOU AND ME, SUPERMAN! OUT OF MILLIONS OF PLANETS THERE COULD BE ONE WHERE ANOTHER "SUPERMAN" AND "SUPERGIRL" EXIST!

AFTER THE DATA IS FED TO THE ELECTRONIC COMPUTER

AH! JUST AS I HOPED I'LL VISIT THAT WORLD, SUPERMAN! IT WON'T MATTER IF I REVEAL MY EXISTENCE THERE!

THE PLANET TERRA, AROUND STAR SUN X45 266, DUPLICATES

MOST EARTHLY PHENOMENA INCLUDING TWO PERSONS WITH SUPER-POWERS!

AND IF I CAN REVEAL ALL SUPER FEATS THERE WITHOUT ANY MISTAKES IT WILL PROVE I'M READY FOR MY DEBUT ON EARTH!

SO THAT'S YOUR PLAN, SUPERGIRL? ALL RIGHT, I AGREE, GOOD LUCK!

AFTER THE GIRL OF STEEL SPEEDS FAR ACROSS THE INVERSE

THERE'S TERRA! HMM IT'S A "TWIN" OF EARTH ALL RIGHT, EXCEPT THAT "FLORIDA" HERE IS MUCH BIGGER!

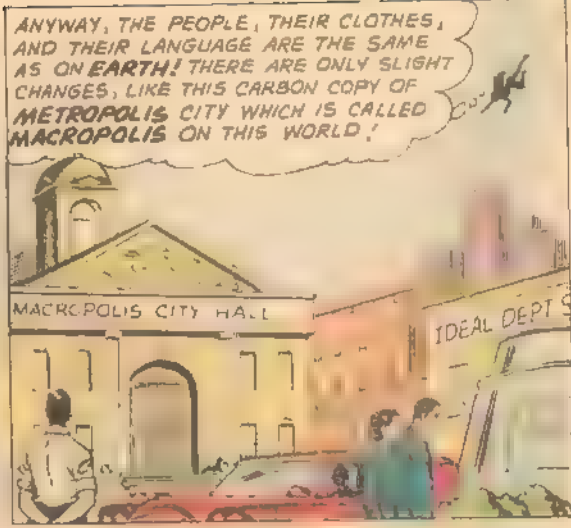
SUPERGIRL FINDS THERE IS ANOTHER ODDITY!

HMM ON THIS WORLD THE STATUE OF LIBERTY! HOLDS A BANNER INSTEAD OF A TORCH!

HERE'S ANOTHER QUEER DIFFERENCE BETWEEN **TERRA AND EARTH!** THE EIFFEL TOWER IS IN AMERICA INSTEAD OF IN FRANCE!



ANYWAY, THE PEOPLE, THEIR CLOTHES, AND THEIR LANGUAGE ARE THE SAME AS ON **EARTH!** THERE ARE ONLY SLIGHT CHANGES, LIKE THIS CARBON COPY OF **METROPOLIS CITY** WHICH IS CALLED **MACROPOLIS** ON THIS WORLD!



TO AVOID NOTICE, **SUPERGIRL** CHANGES TO **LINDA LEE**... I MUST LEARN MORE ABOUT THIS WORLD! HMM... I SEE THAT KIDS RIDE **FOUR-WHEELED CYCLES** HERE! AND THAT LADY'S PET IS A TINY ELEPHANT INSTEAD OF A DOG!



EVEN MORE ODDLY, AT THE NEARBY ZOO

HMM... **TIGERS** ARE AS TINY AND TIMID AS **RABBITS** HERE, WHILE THAT HUGE STRIPED RABBIT IS LIKE A FIERCE "**TIGER**"...!



SUDDENLY A WEAKENED PORTION OF ITS CAGE GIVES WAY
HELP! THE TIGERRABBIT BROKE LOOSE!
I'D BETTER CHANGE AND STOP THAT BEAST! WAIT... I SEE A FLYING FIGURE COMING! IT MUST BE ONE OF THE "**SUPER-PERSONS**" OF **TERRA** THAT THE **SUPER-UNIVAC** TOLD ABOUT! HE'LL BE A DOUBLE OF **SUPERMAN**, NO DOUBT!

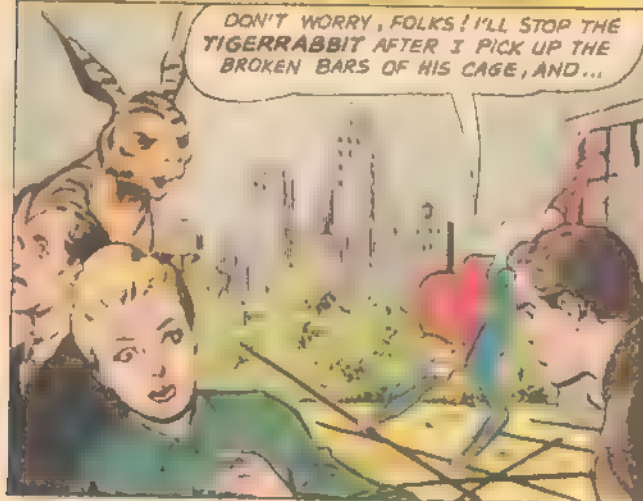


BUT **SUPERGIRL** MEETS HER GREATEST SURPRISE...

HERE COMES **MARVEL MAID!** SHE'S ALWAYS ON THE JOB WHEN THERE'S TROUBLE, THANK HEAVEN!
G-GOODNESS SHE'S A DOUBLE OF ME... EXCEPT FOR MM EMBLEMS ON HER COSTUME INSTEAD OF "S"! HER EXISTENCE IS NOT A SECRET HERE... ANOTHER DIFFERENCE FROM THE WAY THINGS ARE ON EARTH!



SWIFTLY, THE "SUPERGIRL" OF TERRA PERFORMS!



HURL THEM DOWN LIKE SPEARS! THAT WILL FENCE THE CREATURE IN UNTIL WORKMEN REPAIR HIS CAGE!



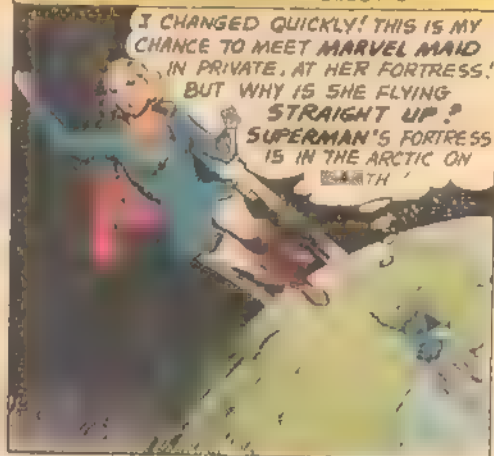
SOON, AS ADMIRING TERRANS GATHER AROUND THE FEMALE HEROINE.

YOU'RE GREAT, MARVEL MAID! PLEASE ACCEPT THIS SIGN AS A TROPHY OF YOUR SUPER-DEED! WE'LL MAKE A NEW ONE!

THANKS! I'LL BRING IT TO MY FORTRESS OF MARVELS!

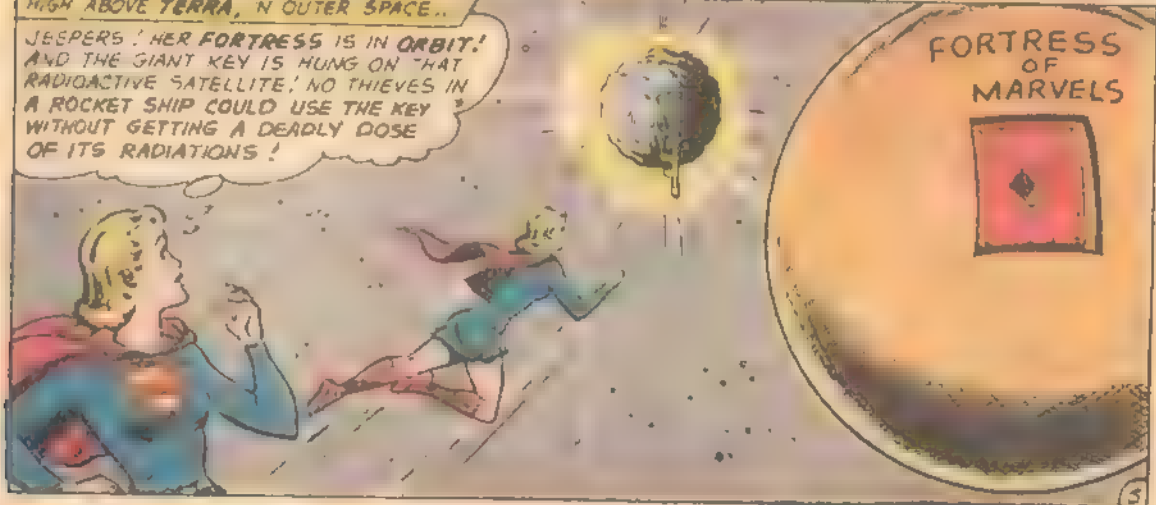


AS THE TERRAN GIRL OF STEEL DEPARTS, EARTH'S GIRL OF STEEL FOLLOWS.



HIGH ABOVE TERRA, IN OUTER SPACE...

JEEPERS! HER FORTRESS IS IN ORBIT! AND THE GIANT KEY IS HUNG ON THAT RADIOACTIVE SATELLITE! NO THIEVES IN A ROCKET SHIP COULD USE THE KEY WITHOUT GETTING A DEADLY DOSE OF ITS RADIATIONS!



AS THE DOOR IS UNLOCKED...

I'LL FLY IN AHEAD OF
MARVEL MAID AT
SUPER-SPEED!

INSIDE, SEEING HER EARTHLY DOUBLE FOR THE
FIRST TIME, **MARVEL MAID** MURMURS ALOUD
IN SURPRISE

HUH? I...UH... DON'T
REMEMBER PUTTING
A MIRROR THERE!

I'M NOT YOUR REFLECTION,
MARVEL MAID! LET
ME EXPLAIN ALL
ABOUT MYSELF..

AFTER **SUPergirl** FINISHES...

SO THAT'S HOW I CAME
TO EARTH, **MARVEL MAID!**
DID YOU ALSO ESCAPE
FROM **KRYPTON** BEFORE
IT EXPLODED?

NO **SUPergirl**! I WAS
BORN IN AN
UNDERGROUND
CITY THAT ONCE
EXISTED IN A
GIANT CAVERN AT
THE CENTER OF THIS
WORLD!

"BUT LIKE YOUR WORLD OF **KRYPTON**, OUR GREAT
CIVILIZATION WAS ALSO DOOMED!"

LOOK! THE
ROOF IS CRACKING!
THEN **JAAL-KOR**, THE
SCIENTIST, WAS RIGHT
WHEN HE PREDICTED
OUR CAVERN WORLD
WOULD COLLAPSE!

"**JAAL-KOR** WAS MY FATHER AND HE HAD WORKED
DAY AND NIGHT TO SAVE ME, HIS DAUGHTER..

THAT SMALL ROCKET-BORER
WILL BRING OUR BABY SAFELY
TO THE UPPER WORLD! THE
REST OF US MUST PERISH!

FAREWELL, MY
CHILD...; SOB!;

MUCH LATER, AFTER MY ROCKET BORED 4,000
MILES UPWARDS, I WAS FOUND BY A PASSING
COUPLE AMONG THE SURFACE PEOPLE..."

DID THAT CHILD
COME FROM AN
UNKNOWN CIVILI-
ZATION UNDER-
GROUND?

POOR THING! IF IT CAN
NEVER RETURN, IT'S AN
ORPHAN! WE'LL ADOPT
IT FOR OUR OWN!

WAAA!

"LATER MY STARTLED FOSTER PARENTS FOUND OUT I HAD SUPER POWERS!"

ME SEE WHAT MAKING NOISE UNDER ROCK!...IT'S BABY CHIPMUNKS!

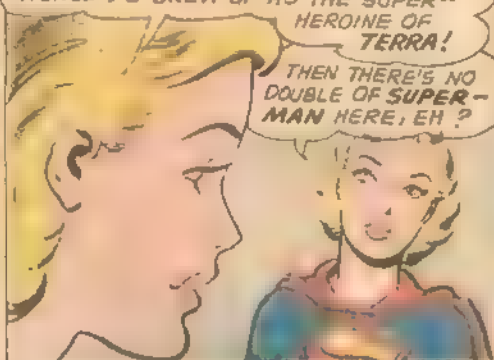
LOOK, SHE LIFTED THAT BIG BOULDER LIKE A FEATHER! OUR CHILD IS STRONGER THAN A HUNDRED MEN!



AS MARVEL MAID'S STORY ENDS...

YEARS LATER, I FOUND OUT THAT COSMIC RAYS, WHICH NEVER PENETRATED UNDERGROUND, HAD GIVEN ME SUPER-POWERS WHEN I REACHED THE SURFACE WORLD! I GREW UP AS THE SUPER-HEROINE OF TERRA!

THEN THERE'S NO DOUBLE OF SUPER-MAN HERE, EH?



BEFORE MARVEL MAID CAN ANSWER, HER SPACE ALARM RINGS!

LOOK! I MUST AID THOSE PEOPLE THREATENED BY A FOREST FIRE WHICH HAS SPREAD ALL AROUND THEIR PREHISTORIC WORLD.

THEN LET ME TAKE YOUR PLACE HERE ON TERRA WHILE YOU'RE GONE. MARVEL MAID!

CLANG!
CLANG!



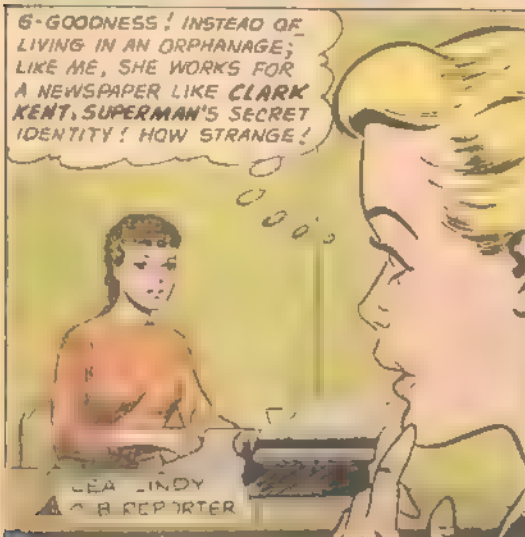
YOU SEE, I WANT TO PROVE TO MY COUSIN SUPERMAN THAT I CAN HANDLE ANY SUPER-JOB WITHOUT MAKING MISTAKES!

WELL, IF YOU WANT TO POSE AS "MARVEL MAID" STUDY THAT EXHIBIT AND REPLACE ME IN MY SECRET IDENTITY BEFORE MY ABSENCE IS NOTICED!

MARVEL MAID'S SECRET IDENTITY



6-GOODNESS! INSTEAD OF LIVING IN AN ORPHANAGE, LIKE ME, SHE WORKS FOR A NEWSPAPER LIKE CLARK KENT. SUPERMAN'S SECRET IDENTITY! HOW STRANGE!



AND SHORTLY, AT THE DAILY PLANET OFFICES IN MACROPOLIS...

GOSH! PERRY WAITE IS AN EXACT DOUBLE OF PERRY WHITE ON EARTH! HE ISN'T SUSPICIOUS OF ME! LINDA LEE AND "LEA LINDY" ARE LIKE TWO PEAS IN A POD!

LEA! PLEASE RUSH THIS TYPING!



LATER, CHANGING IN SECLUSION...

THAT PROTECTED HER SECRET IDENTITY!
NOW TO PATROL THE CITY AS "MARVEL MAID!"
"I'LL GLUE THESE "MM" EMBLEMS I MADE OVER
MY "S" EMBLEMS!"



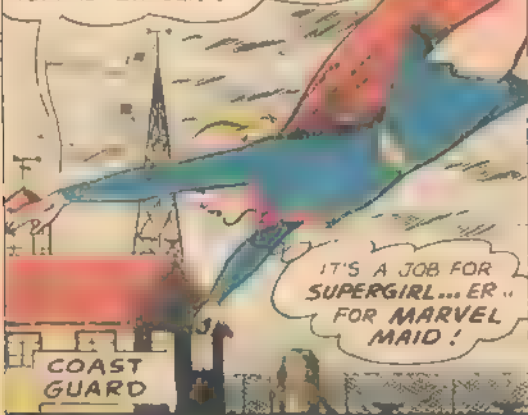
TO SUPERGIRL IT IS A UNIQUE THRILL WHEN...

HI, MARVEL MAID! YOU'RE ON EARTH, WHERE MY
MAKING YOUR PATROL EXISTENCE IS A SECRET,
ON SCHEDULE! NOBODY EVER SAW ME! HERE,
I DON'T HAVE TO HIDE MYSELF!
WHAT A DIFFERENCE!



SUDDENLY, AT THE HARBOR

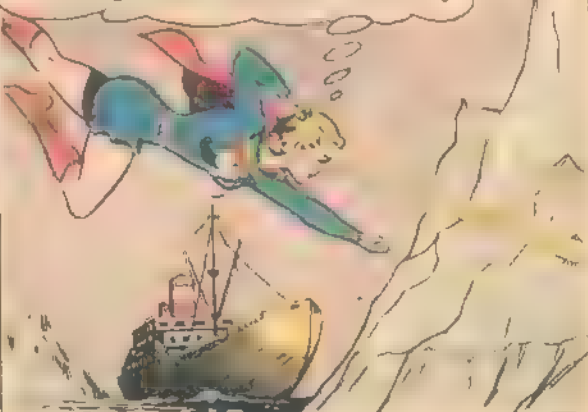
MARVEL MAID! WE JUST
PICKED UP AN S.O.S! A SHIP
IS DISABLED AND IS DRIFTING
TOWARD DANGER!



IT'S A JOB FOR
SUPERGIRL... ER...
FOR MARVEL
MAID!

SECONDS LATER, OUT AT SEA.

MY FIRST CHANCE TO DO A SUPER-RESCUE
UNDER EARTH-LIKE CONDITIONS! IT WOULD
BE A MISTAKE TO SMASH THAT ICEBERG!
FALLING CHUNKS MIGHT HIT THE SHIP!

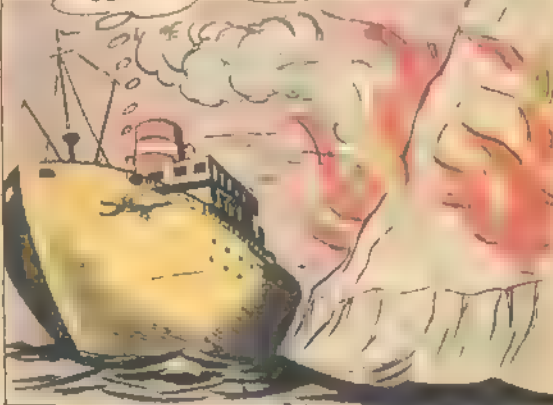


INSTEAD, SUPERGIRL USES THE HEAT OF
HER X-RAY VISION, THEN, FANTASTICALLY

OH, MY GOODNESS! INSTEAD OF
MELTING, THE ICEBERG BURST
INTO ...ER... FLAMES! I'VE GOT
TO HURRY AND ...



... SAVE THE SHIP! I'LL SHOVE IT TO THE DOCKS!
I ONLY HOPE THAT BURNING ICEBERG DOESN'T
ENDANGER OTHER SHIPS! THERE'S NOBODY
ELSE TO HELP ME WITH THIS DOUBLE
JOB!

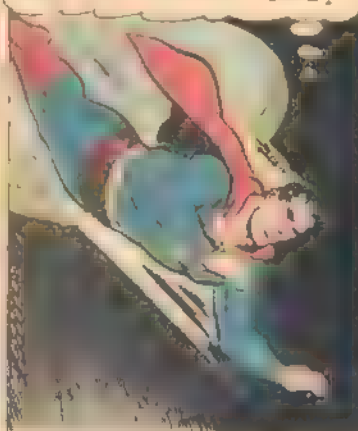


BUT ELSEWHERE IN A PRISON CELL, WHO'S THIS MAN THAT LOOKS LIKE CLARK KENT... AND ACTS LIKE SUPERMAN?

I SAW A FLASH OF FLAME OUT AT SEA! MY TELESCOPIC VISION SHOWED THAT MARVEL MAID NEEDS MY HELP! NO GUARDS WILL BE AROUND FOR AN HOUR OR SO! I'LL CHANGE AND



...LEAVE THROUGH MY ESCAPE TUNNEL AS USUAL! I PREVIOUSLY SUPER-BORED IT UNDERGROUND! IT'S THE HANDIEST WAY OF "ESCAPING" FROM MY CELL!



MOMENTS LATER...

I LEFT MY TUNNEL AND BORED UP AT THE SEA BOTTOM! I'LL MAKE SURE NO SHIPS ARE NEARBY TO SEE ME IN ACTION ABOVE THE WATER'S SURFACE!

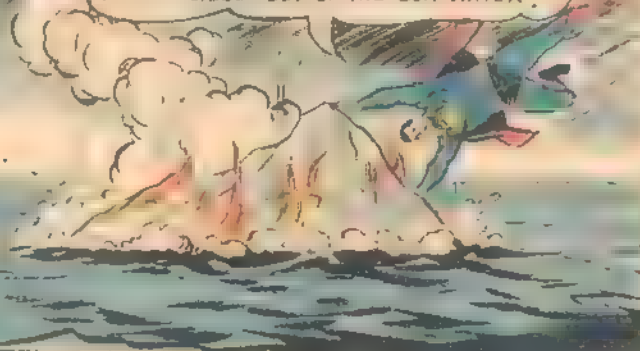


BUT TO SUPERGIRL'S ASTONISHMENT RETURNING TO FINISH HER JOB...

G-GOODNESS! THAT MAN IS A DOUBLE OF SUPERMAN!



QUENCH THE FLAMES, MARVEL MAID! BUT YOU'RE SLIPPING, COUSIN! COULDN'T YOU TELL THIS WAS A FALSE ICEBERG MADE OF FLAMMABLE SALTS THAT CRYSTALLIZED OUT OF THE SEA WATER?



I'M NOT MARVEL MAID! I'M ONLY SUBSTITUTING FOR HER WHILE SHE'S AWAY ON A SPACE JOB! I'M SUPERGIRL FROM EARTH!



GREAT SCOTT! YOU'RE AN EXACT DOUBLE OF MY COUSIN! TELL ME ALL ABOUT YOURSELF AND WHY YOU CAME TO TERRA?

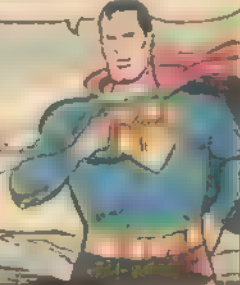


AFTER SUPERGIRL EXPLAINS...

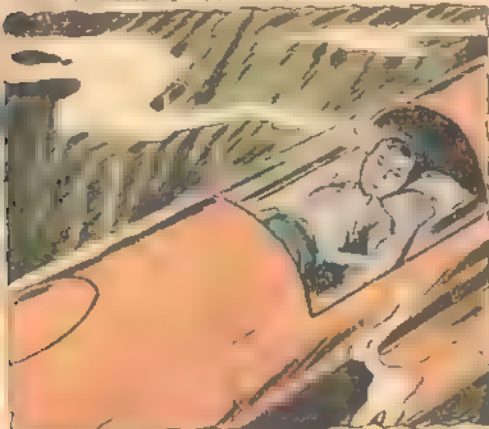
BUT MARVEL MAID DIDN'T TELL ME ABOUT YOU! HOW DID YOU ESCAPE THE DESTRUCTION OF YOUR UNDERGROUND CIVILIZATION LONG AGO?



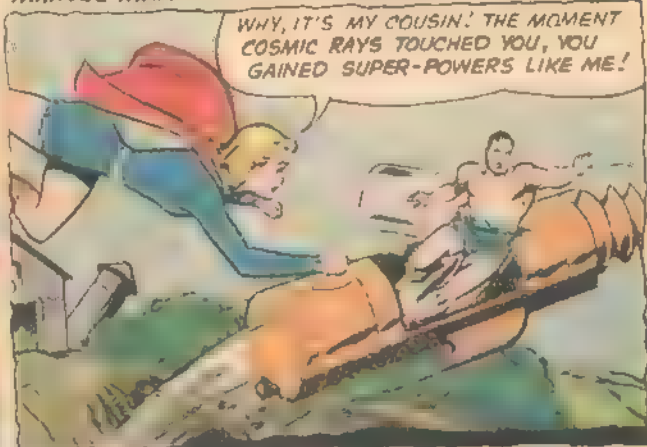
MY FATHER, WHO WAS JAAL KOR'S BROTHER, ALSO KNEW OF THE COMING DISASTER AND SENT ME AWAY IN A ROCK PENETRATOR AS A CHILD!



"BUT MY EARTH-BORING MACHINE STALLED BEFORE REACHING THE SURFACE AND VOLCANIC GASES THAT SEEPED IN PUT ME TO SLEEP."
SPENDED ANIMATION



"YEARS LATER, WHEN A BIG QUAKE TOSSED MY ROCK PENETRATOR TO THE SURFACE, I BURST FREE JUST AS **MARVEL MAID** FLEW BY ON HER REGULAR PATROL!"

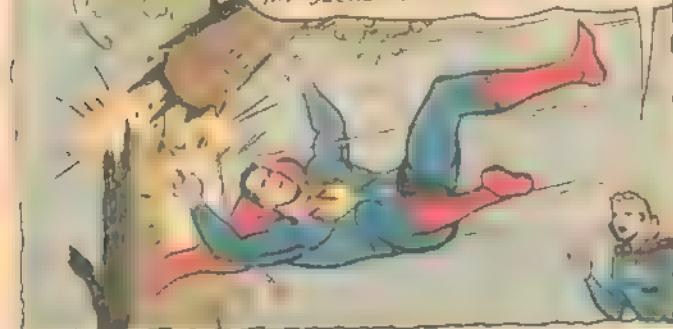


WHY, IT'S MY COUSIN! THE MOMENT COSMIC RAYS TOUCHED YOU, YOU GAINED SUPER-POWERS LIKE ME!

LATER, AFTER **MARVEL MAID** SUPPLIED ME WITH A UNIFORM SIMILAR TO HERS

I CAN'T FLY WELL ENOUGH YET, **MARVEL MAID**!

YOU'LL IMPROVE IN TIME, **MARVEL MAN**! MEANWHILE, YOU MUST REMAIN UNKNOWN TO THE PEOPLE OF **TERRA**! THUS, IF EVER THERE IS A SUDDEN EMERGENCY, YOU CAN BE MY SECRET WEAPON AND HELP ME!



AS **MARVEL MAN**'S STORY ENDS ...

AND STILL TODAY MY EXISTENCE IS KEPT SECRET! **MARVEL MAID** FEELS I'M NOT YET TRAINED ENOUGH FOR **REGULAR SUPER-DUTIES**!

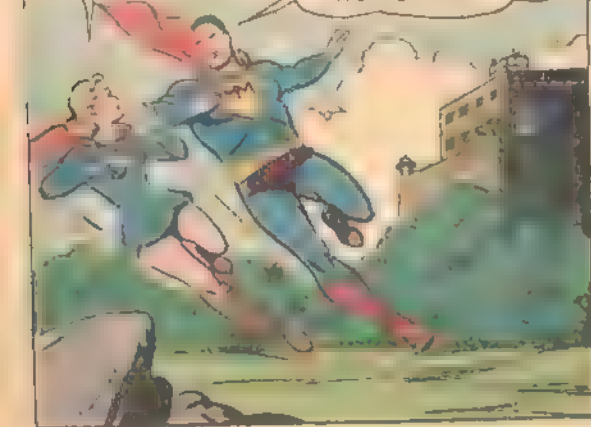
NOW ODD! IT'S JUST THE REVERSE OF **SUPERMAN** AND ME ON EARTH! I'M HERE TO PROVE I'M FULLY TRAINED! THAT

BURNING ICEBERG WON'T COUNT AGAINST ME AS IT COULDN'T HAPPEN ON EARTH!



I SECRETLY LIVE IN AN ORPHANAGE ON EARTH!

IT'S DIFFERENT WITH ME HERE ON **TERRA**! I'M A PRISONER IN THAT JAIL UNDER MY OTHER IDENTITY AS "KEN CLARK!"



GOODNESS! YOU MEAN YOU COMMITTED A **CRIME**?

NO, **SUPergirl**! YOU SEE, EVERYONE ON **TERRA** MUST HAVE IDENTIFICATION PAPERS! **MARVEL MAID** OBTAINED HERS FROM HER FOSTER PARENTS! BUT I HAD NONE AND WAS SENTENCED TO PRISON FOR YEARS!



I PRETEND TO BE THE "WEAKEST" PRISONER, TO COVER MY SUPER-POWERS, TO DO SECRET SUPER-JOBS. I COME AND GO FROM MY CELL THROUGH MY UNDERGROUND TUNNEL! BUT I MUST AVOID PAROLE UNTIL **MARVEL MAID** AGREES MY TRAINING IS OVER!

JUST LIKE **SUPERMAN** HAS ME AVOID ADOPTION ON EARTH!



AS **SUPERGIRL** CURIOUSLY OBSERVES HIS RETURN TO HIS CELL...

HE'S CHANGING TO **KEN CLARK**, PRISONER, AND COVERING HIS SECRET ESCAPE TUNNEL! I'LL MAKE SURE THE WARDEN ISN'T SUSPICIOUS OF HIM...



IN THE WARDEN'S OFFICE, SUPER-HEARING TIPS OFF **SUPERGIRL** THAT TROUBLE IS BREWING FOR **KEN CLARK**!

I'M NOT SURE IF MY NEW **MUSCLE SERUM** WILL WORK AND DOUBLE A MAN'S STRENGTH! I WANT TO CONDUCT EXPERIMENTS AT MY LAB WITH YOUR WEAKEST PRISONER, WARDEN!

HMM...THAT WOULD BE **KEN CLARK**, PROFESSOR!

OH, OH!



PSST! THERE'S **KEN CLARK** WORKING ON THE ROCK PILE! HE CAN HARDLY LIFT HIS **SLEDGEHAMMER**!

IF HE'S THE WEAKEST MAN, SET HIM FREE ON PAROLE! HE CAN STAY AT MY LABORATORY DURING THE INJECTIONS OF MY **MUSCLE SERUM**!

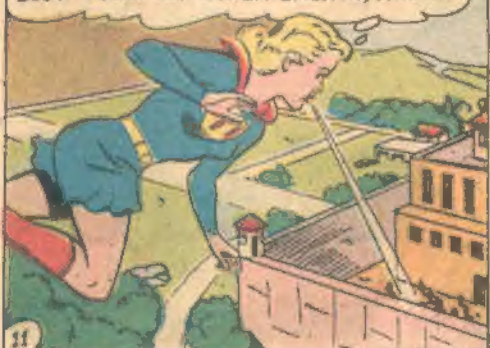


HAVING OVERHEARD, **SUPERGIRL** MOVES FAST TO SAVE **MARVEL MAN** FROM HIS TRAP!

IF **KEN CLARK** LIVES WITH THE SCIENTIST, HIS SECRET IDENTITY WILL BE EXPOSED! NO HYPODERMIC NEEDLE CAN PENETRATE HIS SKIN! BUT I'LL BLOW DOWN MY SUPER-BREATH, AND...

...MAKE 'KEN CLARK'S SLEDGEHAMMER BREAK A ROCK TO BITS!

WHY...ER... **CLARK** ISN'T AS WEAK AS I THOUGHT, PROFESSOR! PERHAPS HE'S BEEN EXERCISING DAILY, IN HIS CELL! WE'LL CHOOSE ANOTHER PRISONER!

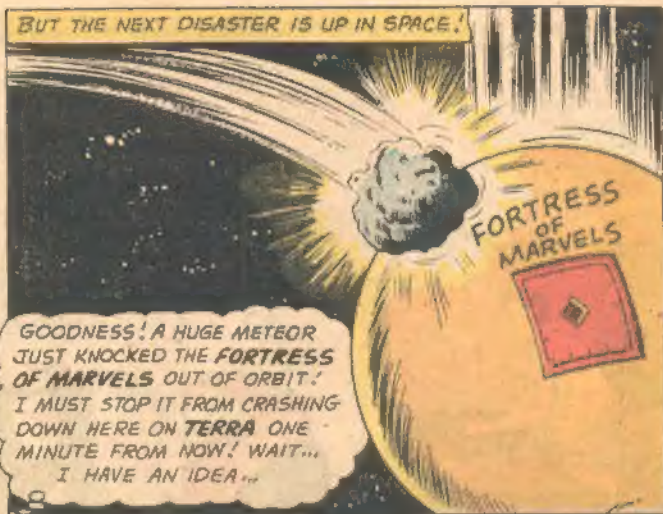


KEN CLARK OVERHEARD THE WARDEN'S COMMENT AND REALIZED HOW I SAVED HIM FROM HIS GREATEST "DANGER"... BEING PAROLED! HE'S THANKING ME WITH A WINK! WELL, BACK TO MY PATROL OF **TERRA** IN PLACE OF **MARVEL MAID**!



BUT THE NEXT DISASTER IS UP IN SPACE!

GOODNESS! A HUGE METEOR JUST KNOCKED THE **FORTRESS OF MARVELS** OUT OF ORBIT! I MUST STOP IT FROM CRASHING DOWN HERE ON **TERRA** ONE MINUTE FROM NOW! WAIT... I HAVE AN IDEA...



SUPERGIRL FLIES THROUGH **MARVEL MAN'S** SECRET PRISON TUNNEL TO CALL HIM OUT, AND...

MARVEL MAN, YOU SAVE THE **FORTRESS** FROM CRASHING! AFTER A BIG FEAT LIKE THAT, MAYBE **MARVEL MAID** WILL AGREE YOUR TRAINING PERIOD IS OVER!

YOU'RE DOING ME A SUPER-FAVOR, **SUPERGIRL**! THANKS!

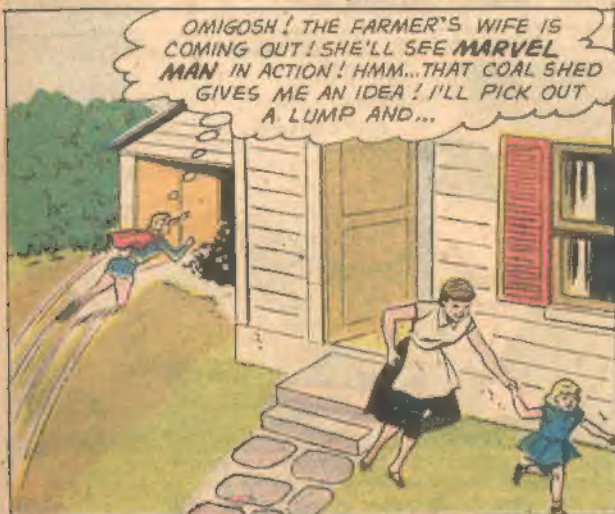


BUT IF I FLY IN THE AIR, PEOPLE ON THAT ROAD WOULD SEE ME! I'LL STAND HERE AND CATCH THE **FORTRESS** BEFORE IT HITS THE GROUND!

HMM...I'LL CHECK AND MAKE SURE NOBODY IN THAT NEARBY FARMHOUSE IS LOOKING THIS WAY!



OMIGOSH! THE FARMER'S WIFE IS COMING OUT! SHE'LL SEE **MARVEL MAN** IN ACTION! HMM...THAT COAL SHED GIVES ME AN IDEA! I'LL PICK OUT A LUMP AND...



... SUPER SQUEEZE IT! COAL IS ANOTHER FORM OF CARBON AND SUPER-PRESSURE TURNS IT INTO ITS CRYSTALLINE FORM OF...



... A DIAMOND IN THE ROUGH!



AS SUPERGIRL LEAVES IT IN THE VEGETABLE GARDEN...

LOOK, CYNTHIA! IS THAT A DIAMOND? YOUR DADDY MUST HAVE EXPOSED IT WHEN DIGGING THE GARDEN, WITHOUT KNOWING WHAT IT WAS!

TRUST A WOMAN TO KNOW A DIAMOND WHEN SHE SEES ONE! SHE'LL BE TOO EXCITED OVER HER FIND NOW TO SEE MARVEL MAN ACROSS THE FIELD!



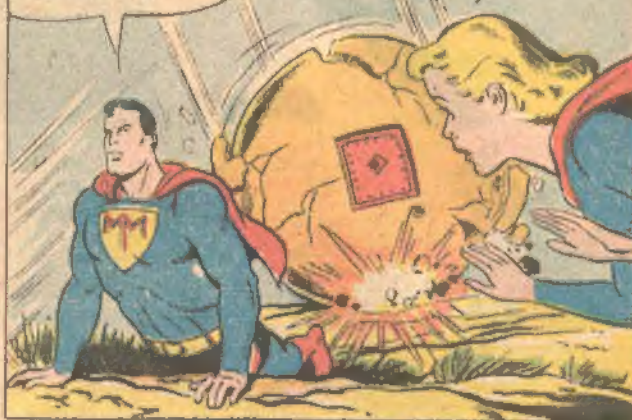
"YES, SUPERGIRL... THE GREAT PRESSURE OF OUR COLLAPSING CAVERN FORMED DIAMONDS OUT OF CARBON, WHICH EXISTS IN MANY THINGS!"



BUT WHEN SUPERGIRL RETURNS TO MARVEL MAN...

I...I COULDN'T CATCH THE FALLING FORTRESS, SUPERGIRL! I FEEL PAIN...! GASP!... FROM THE REFLECTIONS OF THAT DIAMOND... WHICH WEAKENS ME!

HEAVENS! THEN DIAMONDS ARE YOUR KRYPTONITE!



"THE CONCUSSION HURLED MANY SUPER-HARD DIAMONDS FROM THE CENTER OF TERRA TO THE SURFACE... BUT NEVER TO BE USED!"

SORRY, M'AM! YOU KNOW ALL DIAMOND JEWELRY IS BANNED! IT CAN BRING DEATH TO MARVEL MAID! WE WILL HAVE TO DESTROY YOUR NECKLACE!



AND AS SUPERGIRL USES HER SUPER-VISION...

THE FARMER WOMAN ISN'T HAPPY OVER HER FIND AS I FIRST THOUGHT BUT-ALARMED!

POLICE? I FOUND A DIAMOND ON MY FARM! PLEASE SEND THE DIAMOND DEMOLITION SQUAD OVER! AND I ALSO HEARD A LOUD CRASH BEFORE!



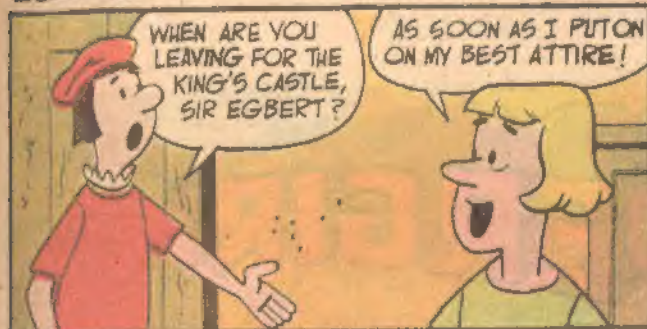
YES...THE CRASH OF THE FORTRESS OF MARVELS!



I DIDN'T HELP YOU PROVE YOURSELF TO MARVEL MAID... NOR MYSELF TO SUPERMAN! OH, WHAT A MESS I'VE MADE OF THINGS HERE ON TERRA!

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